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In re Patent Application of:

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For: USE OF ATOMIC OXIDATION FOR

FABRICATING OF OXIDE-NITRIDE-OXIDE STACK FOR FLASH MEMORY DEVICES

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 11, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-3, 6-14, 16, 18, 21-29, 31 and 36-45, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application in light of the following remarks.